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08/29/03MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: BOYD, et al.  
For: Apparatus And Method To Select A Captain From A Plurality Of Control Nodes

Enclosed are the following:

Specification 25 pages; Claims 9 pages; Abstract 1 page  
 Declaration and Power of Attorney  
 Sheet(s) of drawings 6 pages  
 An assignment of the invention to: International Business Machines Corporation  
 A certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_ application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prior Art Disclosure Statement  
 Preliminary Amendment

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 by way of \_\_\_\_\_ patent application  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.

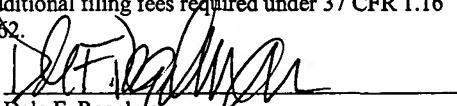
Benefit is hereby claimed under Title 35, United States Code 119(e) of United States provisional  
application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY
BASIC FEE:	\$375.00	\$ 750.00
TOTAL CLAIMS:	24 - 20 = x 9 =	4 x 18 = 72.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS:	3 - 3 = x 42 =	x 84 =
MULT. DEPEND. CLAIMS:		+ 280 =
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